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COMMUNIQUE

FOLLOWING DRAFT TEXT HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE SPANISH
PERMANENT SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL BUT IS SUBJECT
TO CHANGES FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF MINISTER OREJA.

BEGIN TEXT:

JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE SPANISH-U.S. COUNCIL
MAY 12, 1977

THE SPANISH-UNITED STATES COUNCIL, WHICH WAS
ESTABLISHED BY THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION
AND INAUGURATED FORMALLY ON OCTOBER 1, 1976, HELD ITS
FIRST REGULAR SESSION AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL AT THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN MADRID ON THURSDAY,
MAY 12, 1977.

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THE MEETING WAS HELD UNDER THE JOINT CHAIRMANSHIP
OF FOREIGN MINISTER MARCELINO OREJA AGUIRRE AND SECRETARY
OF STATE CYRUS R. VANCE. PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED THE
PERMANENT MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COUNCIL, (NAME
TO BE PROVIDED), PRESIDENT OF TH JUNTA OF CHIEFS OF
STAFF OF SPAIN, AND GENERAL GEORGE BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF
THE UNITED STATES JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, AS WELL AS THE

DEPUTY CO-CHAIRMEN, UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MIGUEL SOLANO, AND UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN, WELLS STABLER. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE THE SPANISH CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE JOINT COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND THE SPANISH CO-DIRECTOR-DESIGNATE OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF, AS WELL AS APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE BODIES. THE COUNCIL REVIEWED DURING THIS FIRST REGULAR SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL THE SUBSTANTIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE FIRST 7 MONTHS OF THE LIFE OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, INCLUDING THE PROGRESS MADE IN EACH OF ITS FIVE JOINT COMMITTEES. THE COUNCIL CONSIDERED THE PREPARATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT IN MADRID OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF AND REQUESTED THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE TO SEEK TO INAUGURATE THIS STAFF AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT AND TO SUBMIT TO THE COUNCIL FOR REVIEW AT ITS NEXT MEETING A PROGRAM FOR CARRYING OUT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS IMPORTANT BODY. IN THIS SAME VEIN, THE COUNCIL RECEIVED A PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM ITS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO AND AGAIN UNDERLINED ITS INTEREST IN IMPROVING COORDINATION BETWEEN THE CLOSE BILATERAL COOPERATIVE EFFORTS OF SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES IN THE FIELD OF DEFENSE AND THE DEFENSE SYSTEM OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION. THE COUNCIL ALSO REITERATED THE FIRM OBJECTIVE OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE THROUGH THEIR COOPERATION TO CLOSER EUROPEAN AND ATLANTIC TIES. IN THEIR REVIEW OF THE BROADER WORLD SITUATION, THE

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CO-CHAIRMEN EXCHANGED VIEWS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD, PRINCIPALLY IN EUROPE AND THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY. THE SECRETARY OF STATE REPORTED ON THE RECENT MEETING OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT IN LONDON AND THE JUST-COMPLETED MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL. PRIOR TO THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, THERE WAS ALSO A MEETING OF THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE. THE NEXT SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE CONVENED AT THE CALL OF THE CO-CHAIRMEN.

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